

MINUTES OF PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16 JANUARY 2017 IN THE ROBIN ROOM, THE CASTLE, HERTFORD AT 6.00PM

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs B Haddock, in the Chair

Councillors: M Deards, R. Deering, Mrs S Dunkley, Dr L Radford and P Ruffles

IN ATTENDANCE: Tricia Carpenter – Civic Admin Manager
Jackie Haynes – Customer Services Assistant

414. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Cousins (Unwell)

415. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr P Ruffles	DPI	Planning Application: 3/0770-16 Land at Ware Park, Wadesmill Road	Cllr Ruffles is a member of the Committee at Hertfordshire County Council to which the application will also be presented
All Members	Personal	Planning Application: 3/16/0015/HH 142 North Road	The owner neighbouring this property is known to the members

416. THE MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The minutes of the Planning Sub-Committee Meeting held on 3 January 2017 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings, and the Chairman was authorised to sign the same.

417. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA – PAPER A

Conservation/Green Belt Areas: The Committee agreed that it would be an advantage to future planning considerations that where Conservation Areas and Green Belt applies, that it be denoted by CA and GB for clarification.

Proliferation of Signage (Mimram Road junction A414): The Committee noted the action taken by East Herts District Council and the following enforcement to be taken within the statutory time frame.

Former Brickfields Site: The Committee noted the correspondence received from the Planning and Building Control Officer at East Herts District Council.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The Committee **notes** the Action Sheet.

418. **QUESTIONS AND/OR STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

None.

419. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee considered current planning applications, and commented as follows:

3/16/2789/HH	279 Ware Road	Two storey side extension, single storey rear extension, loft conversion with dormer. Demolition of existing garage and construction of new double garage to end of garden (<i>Kingsmead Ward</i>)
The Committee raised concerns regarding the impact of the garage at the bottom of the garden and the subsequent additional use of the access road. In addition members considered the proposed industrial garage door design, a poor impact in an area facing the green aspects of an allotment site.		
3/0770 - 16	Land at Ware Park, Wadesmill Road	Application for phased extraction of 2.6 million tonnes of sand and gravel, a mobile dry screening plant, stockpile area, weighbridge, wheelcleaning facilities, ancillary site offices, together with construction of a new access onto Wadesmill Road and phased restoration of landscaped farmland at a low level.
<p>Objection: The Committee considered that the location was completely inappropriate and expressed concern in regards to noise levels, increased traffic, visual impact, road safety and dust. Should this proposal go ahead the Committee would wish to see strict controls on hours of work, vehicle movement which should not exceed 100 per day, monitoring of noise along with strict noise abatement controls and in addition monitoring and enforcement for the repair of damaged road surfaces or drains etc that HCC deems as caused by the trucks. The Committee would also wish to ensure that there was no weekend working and monitoring to ensure there was no vehicle access into Bengeo under any circumstances. Further concern was expressed regarding the volume of traffic onto the road, which had seen two fatal accidents in the last 18 months.</p> <p>Note: Having previously declared a DPI, Cllr Ruffles left the room during the discussion on this item.</p>		
3/16/0027/TEL	Telephone Exchange, Greencoates	Proposed installation of 2no 0.3m transmission dishes onto existing antenna support poles located on the roof of the building. (<i>Castle Ward</i>)
The Committee expressed concern in regards to health and safety issues in the local neighbourhood in respect of emissions from the mast.		
3/16/0015/HH	142 North Road	Proposed alterations to main roof, to include hip to gables, rear roof dormer incorporating a Juliet balcony, raising of the roof height and new second floor side window opening (<i>Sele Ward</i>)
No Objection		
3/17/0009/HH	42 Cublands	Single storey side and rear extension (<i>Kingsmead Ward</i>)
No Objection		

3/17/0013/HH	4 Parkhurst Road	Part demolition of existing single storey rear extension and construction of a new wider single storey rear extension (Bengeo Ward)
The Committee was disappointed at the proposed loss of character form to the rear of the late Victorian dwellings in this neighbourhood.		

Councillors Deering and Ruffles declared that any views expressed about applications were on the evidence before them so far, and at this meeting. They reserved the right to speak on additional evidence, which may be presented to them subsequently as District Councillors.

420. DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY AND EAST HERTS COUNCILS

The review of decision notices from East Herts Council were noted.

421. CORRESPONDENCE

To note the following appeals to be determined by the written representation procedure:

3/16/2073/HH 3/16/2073/HH

To note the following appeal decision from the Planning Inspectorate:

3/16/1764/HH 88 Mangrove Road
Appeal dismissed.

422. MISSING BIRDCAGE AT FRONT OF BLACKBIRDS PH

The Committee requested that correspondence be sent to the Enforcement Officer at the District Council to ensure that the birdcage is returned to its previous position outside of the property.

423. ALLEYWAY ADJACENT TO 1 RIVERSIDE

The Committee agreed that correspondence will be forwarded to HCC and East Herts District Council to seek to establish ownership of the alleyway.

424. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

None.

Meeting Closed: 6.35pm